

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

CIVIL MINUTES - GENERAL

Case No. SACV 18-1022 JVS (DFMx) Date June 27, 2018
Title Benita Ann McCord v. PetSmart, Inc.

Present: The Honorable James V. Selna

Karla J. Tunis

Not Present

Deputy Clerk

Court Reporter

Attorneys Present for Plaintiffs:

Not Present

Attorneys Present for Defendants:

Not Present

Proceedings: (IN CHAMBERS) Order to Show Cause re Jurisdiction

The Court has made a preliminary review of the jurisdictional allegations in the:

Complaint, filed

X Notice of Removal (“Notice”) filed June 11, 2018

by PetSmart, Inc. (“PetSmart”).

The initial pleading invokes jurisdiction Court on the basis of diversity of citizenship, 28 U.S.C. § 1332. (Notice, ¶ 5.) Jurisdiction on this basis requires complete diversity.

For diversity purposes, a corporation is a citizen of both its state of incorporation and its principal place of business. 28 U.S.C. § 1332(c)(1). The Notice alleges PetSmart’s state of incorporation, but not its principal place of business. (Notice, ¶ 9.)

Presently, the Court cannot tell if jurisdiction has been properly invoked.

PetSmart is ordered to file an amended initial pleading within 15 days identifying its principal place of business.

A failure to respond may result in remand of the case to the Superior Court of the State of California for lack of jurisdiction.

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